

BMP 049 - Use Outside Contractor for Handling Used Solvents and Other Significant Materials



Description of Potential Pollutants and Source: Improper storage, handling, and disposal of solvents, oils, paint thinners, and other toxic chemicals can occur with untrained personnel. This can result in exposure of these materials to storm water. Use of contractors specializing in handling these materials can minimize this exposure.

Description of BMP: Private contractors handle the disposal and replenishing of solvents, used oil, and other significant materials used in industrial or maintenance operations. An example is "Safety Kleen," a company which handles solvents used for parts washing.

Application Guidance: Private contractors will be used for disposing and replenishing significant materials continually.

The frequency for implementing of this BMP has been provided as general guidance. However, a facility operator may wish to establish a more suitable frequency. This will require SWPPP implementers to make judgments based on facility operations and conditions.

Training: Personnel will be trained to contact the private contractors when services are needed and prepare the proper manifests (records of transportation).

Effectiveness and Cost: This is a moderately effective, moderate-cost BMP.

Limitations: Availability of private contractors may be a limitation. Quantities of materials/waste will also limit the application of this BMP.